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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF : GRAVES, S. et al.  
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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND PRELIMINARY  
AMENDMENT**

Dear Examiner:

Applicant acknowledges receipt of the Restriction Requirement dated March 19, 2004. The Restriction Requirement set a shortened statutory period for response of one month to expire April 23, 2004. Accordingly, Applicant submits herewith a petition for a one-month extension of time. Therefore, this Response to Restriction Requirement and Preliminary Amendment is timely filed.

Prior to the examination of the subject application, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner consider and enter the following amendments. Please amend the subject application as follows.

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